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Annual Report

OF THE

Selectmen,
Treasurer
and Collector

OF THE

Town of Plaistow

FOR THE

Year Ending
February 15, 1898



ALSO A REPORT
OF THE

Board of Education



ANNUAL REPORT

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AND

BOARD OF EDUCATION

OF THE

TOWN OF PLAISTOW,

For the Year Ending February 15, 1898.

HAVERHILL, MASS.:
PRESS OF CHASE BROTHERS.,
1898.

TOWN OFFICERS.

OFFICERS BIENNIALY ELECTED.

REPRESENTATIVE TO GENERAL COURT,
ARTHUR E. HOYT.

MODERATOR,
JOHN H. NOYES.

SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECK LISTS,
JAMES M. DAVIS, GEORGE L. BAKER, JOHN S. YORK.

TOWN OFFICERS ELECTED ANNUALLY.

SELECTMEN,
BENJAMIN G. FLANDERS, HELIARE GILBERT,
GEORGE E. RICKER.

TOWN TREASURER,
NED S. SLEEPER.

COLLECTOR OF TAXES,
WILLIAM M. CUSHING.

TOWN CLERK,
JAMES M. DAVIS.

ROAD AGENTS,
JAMES E. PEASLEE, ISAAC HALL,
WILLIAM J. MERRIFIELD.

TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY,
JAMES N. GEORGE, MRS. ANNIE F. FULLER,
FRANCIS N. FLANDERS.

BOARD OF EDUCATION,
DR. F. W. McLAUGHLIN, JOHN P. SANBORN,
GEORGE W. DOBBINS.

VALUATION.

Valuation of the town April 1, 1897	.	.	.	\$340,690 00
250 polls	.	.	.	\$25,500 00
168 horses	.	.	.	10,026 00
2 oxen	.	.	.	70 00
148 cows	.	.	.	3,806 00
3 hogs	.	.	.	30 00
15 carriages	.	.	.	954 00
Stock in trade	.	.	.	17,250 00
Money at interest	.	.	.	850 00
Bank stock	.	.	.	200 00
Mills	.	.	.	4,000 00
Land and building	.	.	.	278,004 00
			<hr/>	\$340,690 00

TREASURER'S REPORT.

DR.	To cash in treasury Feb. 15, 1897,	\$543 08
	Received from S. G. Watkins, collector,	
	1895,	9 26
	Received from John Badger, collector,	
	1896,	1,121 08
	Received from William Cushing, collector, 1897,	4,639 93
	Received from James M. Davis, Justice,	
	J. N. Donovan liquor case,	10 00
	F. A. Walker liquor case,	10 00
	Geo. Burnes liquor case,	10 00
	Received from John H. Noyes, Justice,	
	Joseph Davidson liquor case,	5 00
	John Shevenor liquor case,	5 00
	Received from town notes,	2,900 00
	Received from B. G. Flanders, taxes	
	bought by town,	64 56
	Received from James M. Davis, dog	
	licenses,	133 20
	Received from County on account of	
	poor,	111 92
	Received from County on account of	
	dependent soldiers,	275 50
	Received from State, railroad tax,	156 54
	" " " savings bank tax,	42 02
	" " " literary fund,	106 64
	" " W. M. Cushing, inter-	
	est on taxes for 1897,	13 00
	Received from B. G. Flanders, rent of	
	hall,	138 50
		<hr/> \$10,295 23

CR.	By paying Selectmen's orders,	\$6,355 56	
	“ Geo. O. Fogg's note and		
	“ interest,	1,045 83	
	“ Sleeper Bros.' note and in-		
	“ terest,	202 40	
	“ interest on notes,	470 00	
	“ H. Gilbert, note and interest,	1,064 58	
	“ interest on bonds,	320 00	
	To cash in treasury,	836 86	
		<hr/>	\$10,295 23

NED S. SLEEPER, TREASURER.

COLLECTOR'S REPORT.

1894.

DR.	To uncollected taxes	.	.	.		\$10 10
CR.	By abatements	.	.	.	\$3 28	
	By uncollected taxes	.	.	.	6 82	
					<u> </u>	\$10 10

S. G. WATKINS, COLLECTOR.

1895.

DR.	To uncollected taxes	.	.	.		\$35 97
CR.	By abatements	.	.	.	\$12 64	
	By amount paid treasurer	.	.	.	9 26	
	By uncollected taxes	.	.	.	14 07	
					<u> </u>	\$35 97

S. G. WATKINS, COLLECTOR.

1896.

DR.	To uncollected taxes	.	.	.		\$1,330 39
CR.	By abatements	.	.	.	\$25 96	
	By amount paid Treasurer	.	.	.	1,121 08	
	By uncollected taxes	.	.	.	183 35	
					<u> </u>	\$1,330 39

JOHN BADGER, COLLECTOR.

1897.

DR.	To amount submitted for collection	.				\$5,111 90
	" of state tax	.	.	.	\$645 00	
	" county tax	.	.	.	742 58	
	" town tax	.	.	.	1,800 00	
	" school tax	.	.	.	645 00	
	" school house tax	.	.	.	200 00	
	" band tax	.	.	.	50 00	
	" public library tax	.	.	.	138 70	

To amount of highways	\$852 72	
" overlaid	37 90	
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CR. By abatements	\$15 00	
By paid Town Treasurer	4,640 43	
By interest	13 00	
By uncollected taxes	456 47	
	<hr/>	\$5,124 90
W. M. CUSHING, COLLECTOR OF TAXES.		

ABATEMENTS.

1894.		
Frank Laflamme	\$1 64	
George F. Pearl	1 64	
	<hr/>	\$3 28
1895.		
George Drew	\$1 48	
Albert Demaris	1 92	
Telephose Lavoise	1 48	
Westley T. Stevens	1 48	
Julius Stockel	1 48	
Burton C. Williams	1 84	
Eben Bowley	1 48	
George F. Pearl	1 48	
	<hr/>	\$12 64
1896.		
Jarold J. Merrifield, left town	\$2 20	
Edwin B. Nichols, dead	2 20	
Harold J. Palmer, left town	2 20	
George F. Pearl, over 70	2 20	
Elbridge G. Tucker, poor	4 40	
Newell B. Holt, left town	2 64	
David W. Clary, poor	4 40	
Henry C. Clement, dead	3 52	
Joseph Clancy, left town	2 20	
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1897.

Hiram Smart heirs, error	\$1 50	
Harlin Badger, left town	1 50	
Fred Buzzell, "	1 50	
John Catheral, "	1 50	
George H. Drew, "	1 50	
Mrs. Joseph Day	3 00	
John M. Donovan, left town	3 00	
Stephen P. Raymond, left town	1 50	
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		\$15 00

SCHOOL HOUSE NUMBER FIVE.

Amount appropriated		\$200 00
Paid A. W. Sawyer, labor on school house	\$135 00	
Painting shed	5 00	
Relaying floor in anti room	3 00	
Miscellaneous repairs	2 00	
Ventilator	15 00	
Putting up the same	2 00	
Grading	38 00	
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		\$200 00

PAUPERS.

Paid for Mrs. Salvadore Cifre	\$66 35	
Dosithe Aucoin	18 00	
Gilbert Brulette	21 86	
Mrs. Tozier	20 00	
C. H. Glines	7 35	
Transient	27 50	
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		\$161 06

DEPENDENT SOLDIERS AND FAMILIES.

Paid for David Langmaid	\$150 00	
Mrs. E. G. Tucker	133 50	
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		\$283 50

PUBLIC TAXES.

Paid State tax	\$645 00	
County tax	742 58	
	<u> </u>	\$1,387 58

TAXES BOUGHT BY THE TOWN.

Geo. Severance heirs	\$14 30	
John W. Dunnells	32 68	
Ann M. Cifre	11 00	
	<u> </u>	\$57 98

PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Amount appropriated	\$138 70	
Balance due Feb. 15, 1897.	1 70	
	<u> </u>	\$140 00
Paid on order of Trustees		140 00

SCHOOL SUPPLIES.

Paid Damus Gosselin, 3 brooms	\$ 80	
Edwin E. Babb & Co., books	27 25	
Thompson, Brown & Co., books	6 17	
American Book Co., books	54 17	
Thompson, Brown & Co., books	4 50	
Lee and Shepard, books	2 09	
Werner School Book Co.	2 06	
Joseph S. Hills, broom and pails	1 60	
Marlon E. Johnson, sawing wood	1 00	
Edson E. Peaslee, wood	17 50	
American Book Co.	7 01	
James E. Merrill, wood	24 88	
John P. Sanborn, material and labor No. 1 and 3	5 00	
Geo. E. Ricker, material and labor on school fence, Centre	5 35	
E. W. Kimball, wood	5 50	
H. Gilbert, wood	4 50	
	<u> </u>	\$169 38

SCHOOLS.

Amount appropriated	\$645 00	
Literary fund	106 64	
Dog licenses, 1896	148 93	
Amount paid School Board		\$1,401 00

PAID FOR WORK IN CEMETERY.

On Order of C. W. Cass.

Paid Sleeper Brothers, 40 lbs. phosphate	\$ 75	
Joseph S. Hills, 4 lbs. red top	72	
“ 2 lbs. herds grass	12	
Fred E. Peaslee, 3 days' labor	4 50	
		\$6 09

POLICE.

Paid H. L. George, 4 raids	\$4 00	
Geo. F. Emery, 3 raids	3 00	
“ police duty	3 50	
“ “ “	1 50	
“ 1 day and night on road	2 00	
“ 1 “ “ “ “ “	2 00	
Paid to B. R. Heald, Samuel Gage case.		
complaint	1 00	
warrant	50	
entry	50	
mittimus	50	
examinations	1 00	
officers' fees	2 39	
conveyance to Brentwood	1 93	
1 days' services	1 50	
F. J. Payne, 2 raids	2 00	
“ 3 Sundays, police duties	3 00	
Ernest Hall, 2 raids	2 00	
		\$31 32

MISCELLANEOUS.

Paid Nelson Collins, work on cemetery fence	\$3 00
W. H. Hills, complaint and warrant . . .	1 50
Chase Brothers, town reports . . .	48 00
B. & M. R. R., freight . . .	1 05
D. D. Chase Co.	2 70
B. G. Flanders, time, expense to Exeter	2 12
Joseph Peltier, labor	50
Geo. M. Gates	60
Joseph Judson	1 00
Geo. Bodwell	50
American Express	1 05
Granite State Band	25 00
Sleeper Bros., 3400 lbs. coal . . .	11 90
Toilet paper	25
Dr. F. W. McLaughlin, fumagating three houses	3 00
B. G. Flanders, janitor town hall, 26 weeks @ \$2.50	65 00
B. G. Flanders, carfare to Exeter, three trips	1 86
Walworth Mfg. Co., gasoline . . .	23 55
John Templeton, printing	3 00
Paid E. C. Eastman.	
2 invoice books	22 00
1 journal, 300 pp.	1 20
1 journal, 400 pp.	1 50
1 record book	1 00
1 town order book	1 25
1 tax collector's book	1 50
25 blank appointments	25
6 town warrants	30
$\frac{1}{4}$ quire bonds	18
Spencer & Son, police badges . . .	1 00
Granite State Band	25 00
Joseph S. Hills, brooms, pails and oil	1 75

Paid Joseph S. Hills, crackers and cheese for

tramps	\$ 24
James M. Davis, insurance town hall .	60 00
B. G. Flanders, perambulating town line, Newton and Plaistow	2 00
B. G. Flanders, use of horse	1 00
Dr. F. W. McLaughlin, returning 7 deaths and 22 births	7 25
Chase Bros., printing	6 75
Walworth Mfg. Co., gasolene	18 42
S. N. Cummings, housing road machine	3 00
B. Trembley, burying horse	1 50
W. K. Seaver, work Town hall	58
J. H. Sayward, hardware	90
B. & M. R. R.	70
A. L. Pollard, wood	6 00
C. W. Cass, 10,160 lbs. coal	31 75
B. G. Flanders, janitor Town hall, 26 weeks @ \$2.50	65 00
B. G. Flanders, expenses to Concord to settle with State Treasurer	2 90
James M. Davis, 2 complaint warrants	3 00
Express on books	45
Postage and stationery	84
Returning 1 marriage	25
" 3 deaths	75
John M. Kimball, public watering place	3 00
Moses B. Dow, public watering place .	3 00
Moses B. Dow, repairs on road machine	3 00
William Cushing, postage	4 27

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TOWN OFFICERS.

Paid Dr. F. W. McLaughlin School Board .	\$10 00
G. L. Baker, supervisor	5 00
F. J. Payne, dog officer	10 00

Paid John P. Sanborn, School Board . . .	\$25 00
John H. Noyes, moderator, 1897 . . .	3 00
S. G. Watkins, collector, 1894-5 . . .	18
Geo. E. Ricker, services as selectman . . .	15 00
Geo. W. Dobbins, secretary and treasurer of School Board	20 00
James M. Davis, town clerk	25 00
“ truant officer	10 00
James M. Davis, chairman Board of supervisors	5 00
Hilaire Gilbert, services as selectman . . .	10 00
B. G. Flanders, services as selectman and Overseer of the Poor	100 00
John Badger, collector, 1896	21 50
Ned S. Sleeper, treasurer	20 00
William M. Cushing, collector, 1897 . . .	91 16

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SNOW PATHS.

Paid Nelson Collins	\$9 50
Isaac Hall	20 20
R. Brunnell	2 25
J. E. Hardy	90
Joab Peaslee	11 22
W. A. Hutchinson	3 00
William Proctor	3 75
W. J. Merrifield	9 20
Charles Ducette	6 75
H. Gilbert	6 45
Fred C. Peaslee	1 50
Charles King	1 20
George Ricker	3 20
James E. Peaslee	4 40
Geo. W. Cheney	11 45
John A. Bartlett	68
H. F. Peaslee	4 20

Paid Edward Castle	\$3 53
Geo. H. Tucker	1 80
H. Wentworth	90
Edward Castle, 1898	10 50
A. Potvin	10 50
G. Brulett	4 50
D. Aucoin	4 50
Frenchman	1 95
“	4 50
“	4 50
F. Morrell	3 30
C. Dumas	3 30
H. Boliuex	4 05
H. S. Johnson	4 50
M. E. Johnson	5 75
S. N. Cummings	2 40
R. Harriman	2 40
H. M. Harris	1 20
J. F. Stevens	1 00
Charles A. Ball	3 20
John A. Bartlett	5 40
Henry J. Sleeper.	13 55
William J. Merrifield	10 05
Warner R. Harriman	6 75
William Proctor	3 60
John Gardella	15 00
Joseph Buckley	6 75
John P. Sanborn	7 05
Arthur Hudson	2 25
Leonard Johnson	45
Geo. E. Ricker	16 25
James E. Peaslee	16 25
James Perley	1 35
S. C. Smith	2 55
Joseph Judson	3 60
A. M. Tozier	4 05
S. W. Wentworth.	20 18

Paid Geo. M. Gates	\$1 50
Geo. W. Cheney.	11 40
Dean R. Harriman	5 25
H. Aucoin	75
Ernest Geaudreault	4 50
Paul Geaudreault	1 50
W. Johnson	3 00
Three Frenchman	13 50
Casemere Morrell	75
H. W. Flanders	1 50
A. Vigneault	2 10
E. Geaudreault	2 25
Paul Geaudreault	2 25
Clovis Dion	2 70
Richard Brunell	3 00
A. Sultaire	1 27
Felix Fountain	2 85
Louis Bergeron	1 35
Lepold Neol	2 70
Nepolian Micho	3 97
W. Lucier	37
J. B. Lucier	1 20
J. Kimball	2 76
H. Aucoin	3 97
Peter Dupont	5 10
A. Gauthier	1 50
Henry Gosselin	5 25
A. Geaudreault	3 75
Eli. Bouchard	3 75
T. Aucoin	4 72
F. Durocher	4 72
Caris Trembley	3 97
Joseph Peltier	4 72
Jule Geaudreault	3 00
Philip Dupont	3 97
Ed. Gauthier	1 50
Joe. Geaudreault	3 00

Paid Clovis Colombe	\$4 72
Mederic Geaudreault	75
Adelard Chapdelaine	5 02
Benjamin Trembley	5 72
B. G. Flanders	1 50
Wallace Haggett	5 25
William E. Judson	5 55
John Judson	5 10
D. O. Kellehan	1 65
R. Brunell	83
F. N. Gauvin	2 85
Michell Veroneau	2 10
William Dunn	1 20
Frank A. Kelly	1 05
John W. Kelly	1 05
Wallace Keezer	45
Fred Fowler	45
Carl Lloyd	1 35
Renie Gagnon	4 50
Peter Lovoie	4 50
Arthur Gigmere	4 50
H. Gilbert	14 00
N. Collins	6 75
Charles Ducette	6 90
Ora B. Williams	4 05
O. Dupont	2 20
C. E. Day	13 20
W. A. Hutchinson	6 75
A. W. Williams	3 75
B. R. Heald	2 25
Geo. Denoncour	14 60
Charles E. Denoncour	60
Arthur Denoncour	4 35
George Denoncour	2 98
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	\$596 61

HIGHWAYS.

JAMES E. PEASLEE, ROAD AGENT.

Paid Geo. E. Ricker, 6 days' work, team . .	\$21 00
" 4 days' work on road	
machine	16 00
" 1 day's work	3 50
" 4 days' work, man	6 00
" 3 days' work on bridge	
near J. M. Davis'	4 50
William Judson, work on bridge near J.	
M. Davis'	16 00
William Judson, 2 days' work	3 50
Joseph Judson, labor on bridge	12 00
" labor on road	3 00
Eben Bowley, 3½ days on bridge	12 00
Geo. Clough, 3 days on bridge	4 50
Lamarch & Heath	53 00
B. G. Flanders, 4 days' work	6 00
C. H. Glins, 1 days' work	1 50
Joseph Judson, 1½ days' work	2 25
James E. Peaslee, 7 days, team	24 50
" 5½ days, team	19 25
" 1 day, team	1 50
" 4½ days, team	15 75
" 1 days' work	1 50
Charles F. King, 2 days, team	7 00
" 3½ days' work	5 25
James Perley, 2 days' work	3 00
John W. Huntress, 4½ days' work	6 75
J. S. Frye, 80 loads gravel	4 00
S. N. Cummings, 7½ days, team	17 50
" 2 days' work	3 00
" 32 loads gravel	1 60
Henry J. Sleeper, 1 day, man	1 50
John P. Sanborn, 2 days, 3 hours' work	3 45
Nelson Collins, 1896	7 50

Paid J. E. Peaslee, 7 days, team . . .	\$24 50
" 1 day, man . . .	1 50
Charles King, 2½ days, man . . .	3 75
" 1½ days, team . . .	5 25
J. P. Sanborn, 1½ days . . .	\$2 25
A. A. Clemons, 3½ days . . .	5 25
John Cathnal, 5½ days . . .	8 25
H. Gilbert, 4 men, 1 day . . .	6 00
" team, 1 day . . .	3 50
" 4 men, 1 day . . .	6 00
" team, 1 day . . .	3 50
" 4 men, 1 day . . .	6 00
" team, 1 day . . .	3 50
" 4 men, 1 day . . .	6 00
" 1 man, 1 day . . .	1 50
" team, ½ day . . .	1 75
" 1 man, 9 hours . . .	1 35
" team, 4 days, road machine	16 00
James Perley, 5½ days' work . . .	8 25
" 9 hours' work . . .	1 35
J. W. Huntress, 3 days' work . . .	4 50
James E. Peaslee, 4 days, road machine	16 00
James E. Peaslee, 6 days, team . . .	21 00
Charles King, 4 days, team . . .	14 00
" 3 days, man . . .	4 50
J. E. Peaslee, 1 day, man . . .	1 50
John W. Huntress, 28 hours, picking stones on highway . . .	3 50
H. W. Flanders, 1 days' work . . .	1 50
C. Would, 1½ days' work . . .	3 75
B. G. Flanders, 1 days' work . . .	1 00
" 1 day, team . . .	1 50
Arthur Keezer, 7 hours . . .	1 05
William Judson, labor . . .	5 00
B. G. Flanders, work on bridge near J. M. Davis' . . .	7 00
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ISAAC HALL, ROAD AGENT.

Paid N. H. Clark	\$5 00
N. H. Wentworth, labor, team	1 25
" labor, team	3 75
" labor, team	1 30
" 2 men	3 00
" 2 men	1 80
" labor, team	1 25
Felix Fountain, labor on bridge	2 50
" labor on bridge	1 25
Joseph Judson, 9 2-10 days' labor	12 25
John Judson, 5 1/2 days' labor	8 25
Benjamin Trembley, 2 days', team	7 00
Damus Gosselin, 35 lbs. spikes	1 58
W. H. Flanders, 2 days' work	3 00
J. W. Huntress, 4 1/2 days' work	6 75
Edward Castle, 5 1/2 days' work, team	19 25
Isaac Hall, 9 days' work, team	18 00
" 3 1/2 days' work	5 25
J. W. Huntress, 28 hours' picking out stones on highways	3 50
J. E. Hardy, 3 days' labor	4 50
C. Wood, 5 days' labor	7 50
William Jackson, 5 days'	7 50
B. G. Flanders, 2 1/3 days'	3 50
Isaac Hall, labor	20 00
Edson E. Peaslee, 64 feet plank	1 02
" 297 feet plank	4 75
" 171 feet plank	2 74
" 202 feet plank	3 23
" 3 ties	75
" 2 days' work, team	7 00
" 2 days' work, team	7 00
" 7 hours' work	2 35
Peter Castle, 1 day's work	1 50
Edward Castle, team	3 50

Paid S. W. Wentworth, 3 days, team . .	\$10 50
" 2 days, man . .	3 00
Charles H. Sargent, 9 hours' work . .	1 35
S. W. Wentworth, 2 days, team . .	7 00
N. A. Wentworth, grade . .	6 80
C. H. Haseltine, 4 days' work . .	6 00
J. W. Huntress, picking stones . .	3 00
H. S. Johnson, grade . .	3 00
Richard Brunell, 4½ days . .	6 75
Frank Ganvin, 9 days, 7 hours . .	14 60
H. W. Wentworth, 2 days . .	3 00
Pliny Mooers, 1 day, 8 hours . .	2 70
W. L. Terry, 2 days, team . .	7 00
A. W. Sawyer, 1 day, team . .	3 50
" 1 day, man . .	1 50
" 1 day, team . .	3 50
" 1 day, man . .	1 50
" 1 day, team . .	3 50
" 1 day, man . .	1 50
" 1 day, team . .	3 50
" 1½ days, team . .	5 25
Isaac Hall, labor . .	48 35
W. Judson, . .	6 00
J. E. Hardy . .	11 85
N. Collins, 3½ days' cutting bushes . .	5 25
John B. Lucier, 3 days' labor . .	3 00
Octave Dupont, 3 days' labor, team . .	10 50
" 1½ days' labor, team . .	5 25
" man, 3 days . .	4 50
George Denoncour, 2½ days, team . .	8 65
" team . .	1 00
" labor, men . .	12 00

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W. J. MERRIFIELD, ROAD AGENT.

Paid Joab Peaslee

7 hours' work, team	\$2 45
9 hours' work, man	1 35
3½ hours' work, man	52
3½ hours' work, team	1 23
1 day's work team, on road machine	4 00
½ day's work team, on road machine	2 00
Geo. W. Cheney, work, team	3 50
Geo. W. Cheney, work, team	3 50
Charles Ducette, 5 days' labor	7 50
J. F. Bussell, 1½ days' labor	2 25
Dean R. Harriman, 5½ days' labor	8 25
John W. Huntress, 22 hours, picking stones on highways	2 75
Geo. W. Cheney, 1 day's work, team	3 50
" " " " "	1 50
Charles E. Day, 3 days' work, team	10 50
" " ½ day's work, team	1 75
" " 2½ days' work, team on road machine	10 00
Charles E. Day, 1½ day's work	2 25
A. B. Crane, 7 hours' work	1 05
G. W. Cheney, man and horse ½ day on road machine	2 75
G. W. Cheney, ½ day on road machine	2 75
G. W. Cheney, man and horse ½ day	1 38
G. W. Cheney, 1 day	1 50
G. W. Cheney, man and horse 8 hours	2 00
R. W. Harriman, 13 days, 1½ hours	19 72
William Proctor, 12 days, 6 hours	18 90
Charles Ducette, 2 days' work	3 00
Ed. Robertson, 1½ days' work	2 25
H. H. Furber	4 50
William J. Merrifield, 1 day, team	3 50
" " 5½ days, man	8 25
" " 1 day, team	3 50

Paid William J. Merrifield, on road machine .	\$2 75	
“ “ $\frac{1}{2}$ day, team .	1 75	
“ “ 6 hours' work .	90	
“ “ on road machine .	2 75	
“ “ on road machine .	1 38	
“ “ 3 days, team .	10 50	
“ “ 1 day, man and horse . .	1 75	
“ “ 2 days' labor, man	3 00	
“ “ 1 day, team .	3 50	
“ “ 1 day $2\frac{1}{2}$ hours .	1 88	
	<hr/>	\$174 01

JANITOR'S REPORT.

DR.	Received for the use of Town hall .	\$138 50	
	Due from Plaistow Grange . .	20 00	
		<hr/>	\$158 50
CR.	By paid Town Treasurer . . .	\$138 50	
	Balance due the town . . .	20 00	
		<hr/>	\$158 50

B. G. FLANDERS.

DOG LICENSES FOR 1897.

66 male dogs, 1 year	\$132 00	
3 female dogs, 1 year	15 00	
	<hr/>	\$147 00
69 licenses at 20 cents each		13 80
		<hr/>
Amount returned to Treasurer		\$133 20

JAMES M. DAVIS.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

LIABILITIES.

Due on town notes	\$12,900 00	
“ “ bond	8,000 00	
“ dog licenses, 1897	133 20	
“ C. W. Cass, cemetery account	8 91	
	<hr/>	\$21,042 11

ASSETS.

Due from S. G. Watkins, collector, 1894	\$6 82	
“ “ “ 1895	14 07	
“ John Badger, “ 1896	183 35	
“ W. H. Hills, Nichols case, 1892	25 00	
“ W. M. Cushing, collector	456 47	
“ county on account of poor	27 00	
“ Plaistow Grange	20 00	
Cash in treasury Feb. 15, 1898	836 86	
	<hr/>	\$1,569 57
Balance against the town		\$19,472 54

Respectfully submitted,

BENJAMIN G. FLANDERS,
HILAIRE GILBERT,
GEO. E. RICKER,

SELECTMEN OF PLAISTOW.

We have examined the accounts of the Selectmen, Treasurer and Road Agents for the year ending February 15th, 1898, and find that the records have been properly kept, the accounts correctly cast, and there are proper vouchers for all expenditures.

WALLACE KEEZER,
MOSES B. DOW,

AUDITORS.

Plaistow, February 19, 1898.

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF PLAISTOW, N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1897.

TABLE A.

Date of Birth.	Place of Birth.	Name of Child (if any).	SEX AND CONDITION.				Name of Father.
			Male.	Female.	Living or Stillborn.	Number of Child, 1st, 2d., Etc.	Color.
Jan. 9, 1897.	Plaistow	Joseph Desmaris	Male.	. . . . .	Living	Fourth . . .	White
" 17, "	"	Woodruff F. Davis	Male.	. . . . .	"	First . . .	"
" 25, "	"	Gordon F. Merrick	Male.	. . . . .	"	First . . .	"
Feb. 23, "	"	Clara A. Keizer . . . . .	. . . . .	Female	"	Second . . .	"
Mar. 3, "	"	Harlon L. Clough	Male.	. . . . .	"	Second . . .	"
" 17, "	"	Willie Noel	Male.	. . . . .	"	Fourth . . .	"
Apr. 4, "	"	Eben E. Bowley, Jr.	Male.	. . . . .	"	First . . .	"
" 9, "	"	Harold M. Frye	Male.	. . . . .	"	Fourth . . .	"
May 14, "	"	Phillip E. Davis	Male.	. . . . .	"	Second . . .	"
June 11, "	"	Eleanor M. J. Morel	Male.	. . . . .	"	Ninth . . .	"
July 12, "	"	Infant	Male.	. . . . .	Stillborn	Second . . .	"
" 28, "	"	Marie A. V. Beaulieu	Male.	. . . . .	Living	Third . . .	"
" 28, "	"	Mary L. Lebranch . . . . .	. . . . .	Female	"	Second . . .	"
Aug. 24, "	"	Mary L. Gagnon . . . . .	. . . . .	Female	"	Seventh . . .	"
Sept. 22, "	"	Ethel Doucette . . . . .	. . . . .	Female	"	Fourth . . .	"
" 27, "	"	Rebecca Godreault . . . . .	. . . . .	Female	"	Sixth . . .	"
Oct. 4, "	"	Emma L. Potvin . . . . .	. . . . .	Female	"	Third . . .	"
Dec. 5, "	"	Newton T. Sleeper	Male.	. . . . .	"	First . . .	"
" 7, "	"	Daniel R. Bruce	Male.	. . . . .	"	Second . . .	"
" 9, "	"	Arthur Aucuin	Male.	. . . . .	"	Ninth . . .	"
" 11, "	"	Dolphis R. Morel	Male.	. . . . .	"	Tenth . . .	"
		Francis R. Morel	Male.	. . . . .	"	
		Joseph Desmaris	Male.	. . . . .	Living	Fourth . . .	White
		Woodruff F. Davis	Male.	. . . . .	"	First . . .	"
		Gordon F. Merrick	Male.	. . . . .	"	First . . .	"
		Clara A. Keizer . . . . .	. . . . .	Female	"	Second . . .	"
		Harlon L. Clough	Male.	. . . . .	"	Second . . .	"
		Willie Noel	Male.	. . . . .	"	Fourth . . .	"
		Eben E. Bowley, Jr.	Male.	. . . . .	"	First . . .	"
		Harold M. Frye	Male.	. . . . .	"	Fourth . . .	"
		Phillip E. Davis	Male.	. . . . .	"	Second . . .	"
		Eleanor M. J. Morel	Male.	. . . . .	"	Ninth . . .	"
		Infant	Male.	. . . . .	Stillborn	Second . . .	"
		Marie A. V. Beaulieu	Male.	. . . . .	Living	Third . . .	"
		Mary L. Lebranch . . . . .	. . . . .	Female	"	Second . . .	"
		Mary L. Gagnon . . . . .	. . . . .	Female	"	Seventh . . .	"
		Ethel Doucette . . . . .	. . . . .	Female	"	Fourth . . .	"
		Rebecca Godreault . . . . .	. . . . .	Female	"	Sixth . . .	"
		Emma L. Potvin . . . . .	. . . . .	Female	"	Third . . .	"
		Newton T. Sleeper	Male.	. . . . .	"	First . . .	"
		Daniel R. Bruce	Male.	. . . . .	"	Second . . .	"
		Arthur Aucuin	Male.	. . . . .	"	Ninth . . .	"
		Dolphis R. Morel	Male.	. . . . .	"	Tenth . . .	"
		Francis R. Morel	Male.	. . . . .	"	

TABLE A. (Continued.)

Maiden Name of Mother.	Color of Parents.	Residence of Parents.	Occupation of Father.	Birthplace of Father.	Birthplace of Mother.	Age of Father.*	Age of Mother.*
Lizzie Audlair	White	Plaistow.	Shoemaker	Canada	Plaistow	26	27
Alice S. Whitaker	"	"	Shoemaker	Plaistow	Plaistow	29	24
Edith A. Gordon	"	"	Shoemaker	Hampstead, N. H.	Newton, N. H.	21	20
Ada M. Burlbank	"	"	Shoemaker	Hampstead, N. H.	Canterbury, N. H.	25	22
Edith Torrey	"	"	Teacher	Kittery, Maine	Rye, N. H.	40	22
Emma Goin	"	"	Teamster	Quebec, Canada	Salem, N. H.	29	23
Sarah B. Kelley	"	"	Frenier	Exeter, N. H.	Plaistow, N. H.	40	24
Eva E. Bodwell	"	"	Teaching	Moultonborough, N. H.	Manchester, N. H.	25	22
Abbie J. Palmer	"	"	Shoemaker	Plaistow	Westboro, Mass.	28	29
Josephine Beaubien	"	"	Brickmaker	St. Anne, Canada	Ancienne Lorette, Canada	41	44
Mary R. Little	"	"	Farmer	Plaistow	Atkinson, N. H.	25	21
Virginia Potvin	"	"	Brickmaker	"	Granville, N. Y.	23	22
Virginia Tremblay	"	"	Farmer	Manchester, N. H.	Quebec, Canada	17	33
Mary R. Labouliere	"	"	Teamster	Quebec, Canada	Ireland	34	29
Dora McCarthy	"	"	Laborer	Nova Scotia	Quebec, Canada	39	29
Laura Tremblay	"	"	Brickmaker	St. Paul, Quebec	St. Paul, Quebec	31	27
Rosa Brouillette	"	"	Brickmaker	Sandy Hill, N. Y.	Quebec, Canada	26	23
Annie L. Tourtellotte	"	"	Merchant	Plaistow	Woodstock, N. H.	33	32
Lizzie I. Butler	"	"	Farmer	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick	27	25
Mary A. Brouillette	"	"	Laborer	Nova Scotia	Montreal, Canada	31	21
Eliza Janelle	"	"	Magee Stutcher	Canada	Plaistow	43	37
Eliza Janelle	"	"	Magee Stutcher	Canada	Plaistow	43	37

*At last birthday.

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

JAMES M. DAVIS, Town Clerk.

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF PLAISTOW, N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1897.

TABLE B.

Date of Marriage.	Place of Marriage.	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride.	Residence of Each at Time of Marriage.	Age of Each in Years.	Color of Each.	Occupation of Groom and Bride.
Feb. 27, 1897 . .	Plaistow, N. H.	George A. Willey Clara Clement	Plaistow, N. H. Haverhill, Mass.	18 17	White "	Heel Cutter Table Work
Apr. 7, " . .	Haverhill, Mass.	Samuel W. Wentworth Maud E. Batchelder	Plaistow, N. H. Atkinson, N. H.	21 17	" "	Farmer Housework
Apr. 25, " . .	Fall River, Mass.	Adelard Chandelaine Virginia Desileto	Plaistow, N. H. Fall River, Mass.	31 24	" "	Brickmaker Mill Hand
Apr. 28, " . .	St. Jude, P. Q.	Thomas Dupont Victoria Chapuelaine	Plaistow, N. H. St. Jude, P. Q.	24 25	" "	Laborer At Home
June 23, " . .	Plaistow, N. H.	Harold G. Palmer Maud E. Sleeper	Providence, R. I. Plaistow, N. H.	23 27	" "	Physician Housework
Nov. 25, " . .	Plaistow, N. H.	Theophile Aucuin Mary Felton	Plaistow, N. H. Plaistow, N. H.	22 23	" "	Laborer Housework

TABLE B. (Continued.)

Place of Birth of Each.	Names of Parents.	Birthplace of Parents.	Occupation.	CONDITION: Whether Single or Widowed.— What Marriage— whether 1st, 2d, Etc.	Name, Residence, and Official Station of Person by Whom Married.
Bradford, Mass. Haverhill, Mass.	James W. Willey Annie L. Gear Charles H. Clement Annie Brassel	Gilford, N. H. Stanstead, C. E. Haverhill, Mass. Ireland	Heel Cutter Housewife Laborer Housewife	Single First Single First	James M. Davis, Justice of the Peace, Plaistow, N. H. .
Plaistow, N. H. Atkinson, N. H.	Nathaniel A. Wentworth Isabella M. Hayes Hiram Batchelder Isabella Peaslee	Denmark, Me. Halifax, N. S. Vermont Atkinson, N. H.	Farmer Housewife Farmer Housewife	Single First Single First	Geo. W. Lawrence, Clergy- man, Haverhill, Mass.
St. Jude, P. Q. St. Grigoire, P. Q.	Peirre Chapdelaine Julie Cloutier David Desileto Louise Elie	St. Jude, P. Q. St. Bernaby, P. Q. St. Grigoire, P. Q. Beaucourt, P. Q.	Farmer Housewife Mill Hand Housewife	Single First Single First	Fr. Ch. B. Sauval, Rector, Fall River, Mass.
Exeter, N. H. St. Jude, P. Q.	Octave Dupont Eliase Denoncour Peirre Chapdelaine Julie Cloutier	St. Grigoire, P. Q. St. Grigoire, P. Q. St. Jude, P. Q. St. Bernaby, P. Q.	Brick Manuf'r Housewife Farmer Housewife	Single First Single First	I. Noisense, Priest, St. Jude, P. Q.
Chicopee, Mass. Plaistow, N. H.	Albert DeF. Palmer Mary I. Spear John N. Steper Lorinda E. Cass	Augusta, Me. Reading, Mass. Plaistow, N. H. Atkinson, N. H.	Clergyman Housewife Broker Housewife	Single First Single First	Albert DeF. Palmer, Clergy- man, Plaistow, N. H.
Cape Breton, N. S. Bay St. Paul, Canada	Dosethie Aucoin Angeline Arsenault Charles Filion Coroline Lavoie	Cape Breton, N. S. Cape Breton, N. S. Bay St. Paul, Canada Bay St. Paul, Canada	Laborer Housewife Farmer Housewife	Single First Single First	D. Alex. Sullivan, Roman Catholic Priest.

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

JAMES M. DAVIS, Town Clerk.

DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF PLAISTOW, N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1897.

TABLE C.

Date of Death.	Place of Death.	Name and Surname of the Deceased.	AGE.			Place of Birth.	SEX AND CONDITION.			Occupation.	
			Yrs.	Mos.	Days.		Male.	Female.	Color.		Single, Married or Widowed.
1897.											
Jan. 17.	Plaistow	Abigail Carleton	81	4	..	Merrimac, Mass. . . .	Male	Female	White	Widowed .	Housewife
" 18.	"	Robert H. Outhouse	63	3	9	Hodgedon, Me.	Male	Male	"	Married .	Carpenter
April 1.	"	George Sumner	71	10	26	Hampton, Conn. . . .	Male	Male	"	Married .	Farmer
" 11.	"	Woodruff F. Davis . . . . .	..	2	25	Plaistow, N. H.	Male	Male	"	Single . .	None
" 16.	"	Arthur Bourneuf	1	7	..	.. . . . . . . . . . .	.. . . . .	.. . . . .	"	.. . . . .	None
" 25.	"	Eben E. Bowley, Jr. . . . .	..	1	8	Plaistow, N. H.	Male	Male	"	Single . .	None
" 28.	"	Elizabeth B. Day	73	8	4	Haverhill, Mass. . . .	.. . . .	Female	"	Widowed .	Housewife
June 25.	"	Mary Weldon	90	10	23	New Brunswick . . . .	.. . . .	Female	"	Widowed .	.. . . . . . . . . .
July 26.	"	Mary E. Wood	65	5	19	Lebanon, N. H. . . . .	.. . . .	Female	"	Widowed .	None
Sept. 18.	"	Carrie L. Nelson	38	..	9	London, Eng. . . . .	.. . . .	Female	"	Married .	Housewife
" 24.	"	Rebecca Goodreault . . . .	..	..	2	Plaistow, N. H. . . . .	.. . . .	Female	"	Single . .	None
Oct. 8.	"	Sally Webster	88	10	..	.. . . . . . . . . . .	.. . . .	Female	"	Widowed .	None
" 19.	"	Louisa Eaton	82	3	9	Pembroke, N. H. . . .	.. . . .	Female	"	Widowed .	Retired

TABLE C. (Continued)

PLACE OF BIRTH.		Name of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother.	Disease or Cause of Death.	Occupation of Father.*	Name and P. O. Address of Physician (or other person) reporting Death.
Father.	Mother.					
Merrimac, Mass.	Merrimac, Mass.	William Williams	Abigail Williams	Heart Disease, Indigestion		{ F. H. Allen, M. D., Haverhill, Mass.
	Bath, Me.		Margaret Ham	Paralysis		{ Frank W. McLaughlin, M. D., Plaistow, N. H.
		George Sumner	Sophia Goodell			{ Frank W. McLaughlin, M. D., Plaistow, N. H.
Plaistow	Plaistow	Forest S. Davis	Alice S. Whitaker	Bronchitis, Acute	Heel Burnisher	{ Frank W. McLaughlin, M. D., Plaistow, N. H.
				Suffocation		Town Clerk
Kingston, N. H.	Plaistow	Eben E. Bowley	Sarah B. Kelly	Lagrippe	Fireman	{ Frank W. McLaughlin, M. D., Plaistow, N. H.
Haverhill, Mass.	Haverhill, Mass.	James Gile	Sarah Bradley	Double Pneumonia		{ F. H. Allen, M. D., Haverhill, Mass.
New Brunswick		Phinney				{ Frank W. McLaughlin, M. D., Plaistow, N. H.
Lebanon, N. H.	Lebanon, N. H.	Benjamin W. Colburn	Bessie Wood	Cancer		{ Frank W. McLaughlin, M. D., Plaistow, N. H.
England	England			Heart failure		Town Clerk
St. Paul, Quebec	St. Paul, Quebec	Eli Goodreault	Laura Tremblay	Premature Birth	Brickmaker	{ Frank W. McLaughlin, M. D., Plaistow, N. H.
				Old Age		Town Clerk
		John Noyes	Hannah Noyes	Heart Disease		{ Frank W. McLaughlin, M. D., Plaistow, N. H.

*If deceased was under fifteen years of age.

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

JAMES M. DAVIS, Town Clerk.

REPORT

OF

PLAISTOW PUBLIC LIBRARY.

The trustees of the Public Library submit the following report of the work done during the year ending Jan. 1, 1898.

The library has been open every Saturday but one.

Cards have been given to two hundred twenty-two persons, to whom the librarian has issued four thousand five hundred fifty-nine books, classified as follows: Fine Arts, 59; Religion, 19; Natural Science, 83; Biography, 122; Sociology, 32; Periodicals, 10; Poetry, 42; Fiction, 3,608; Travels, 233; History, 228; Literature, 58; Useful Arts, 58; References, 7.

The volumes in the library now number four hundred fifty-five. Of this number four were a gift from Mr. Jas. N. George, ten from Miss Adah S. Peaslee, and fourteen from Rev. William Carey Whitaker. Our town has also received further evidence of the kindly interest of Mr. A. G. Pollard, in his gift of one hundred dollars, to be used in the purchase of books for the library.

To all these friends the trustees, in behalf of the town, would make acknowledgement of their appreciation and gratitude.

FRANCIS N. FLANDERS,
ANNIE F. H. FULLER.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

DR.	To cash in treasury March 1, 1897	.	.	\$3 72	
	“ Received for fines	.	.	1 96	
	“ “ cards	.	.	02	
	“ “ books	.	.	75	
	“ Received of town	.	.	81 65	
					\$88 10
CR.	By paid stationery and postage	.	.	\$1 08	
	“ freight and express	.	.	1 06	
	“ for books	.	.	81 65	
	Cash in treasury, Oct. 23, 1897	.	.	4 31	
					\$88 10
	Oct. 23, amount in treasury	.	.	\$4 31	
	For services rendered the Plaistow Public Library	.	.	4 31	

JOHN H. POLLARD, TREASURER.

DR.	Cash received for cards	.	.	.	\$ 08	
	“ fines	.	.	.	1 14	
	“ of A. G. Pollard	.	.	.	100 00	
	“ of town	.	.	.	58 35	
						\$159 57
CR.	By cash paid Ethel A. Pollard, librarian					
	Jan. 1 to Nov. 1, 1897	.	.	.	\$25 00	
	By cash paid Carrie L. Hills, librarian,					
	Nov. 1, 1897, to Feb. 1, 1898	.	.	.	6 50	
	By cash paid C. C. Morse for books	.	.	.	4 45	
	By cash paid express	.	.	.	15	
	By cash paid insurance	.	.	.	2 00	
	Cash in treasury March 1, 1898	.	.	.	121 47	
						\$159 57

F. N. FLANDERS, TREASURER.

CATALOGUE

OF

PLAISTOW PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Abbott, Jacob.	History of Hannibal	H 28
Abbott, Willis J.	Blue Jackets of 1812	H 1
Abbott, S. G.	History First N. H. Regiment	H 23
Adams, J. O.	Report N. H. Board of Agriculture, Vols. VI to XIV	U 19 to U 27
Alcott, Louisa M.	Little Women	1 A
	Little Men. Sequel to Little Women . . .	1 A 1
	Jo.'s Boys. Sequel to Little Men	1 A 2
	Eight Cousins	1 A 3
	Rose in Bloom. Sequel to Eight Cousins .	1 A 4
	Cupid and Chow Chow	1 A 5
	An Old-fashioned Thanksgiving	1 A 6
	Work	1 A 7
	Under the Lilacs	1 A 8
	My Girls	1 A 9
	My Boys	1 A 10
	Jimmy's Cruise	1 A 11
	An Old-fashioned Girl	1 A 12
Alden, Mrs. G. R.	One Commonplace Day	8 A
	Making Fate	8 A 1
	Overruled. Sequel to Making Fate . . .	8 A 2
Aldrich, T. B.	Prudence Palfrey	2 A
	Story of a Bad Boy	2 A 1
Allen, James Lane.	The Choir Invisible	9 A
Allen, Willis Boyd.	A Son of Liberty	3 A

Andersen, Hans C.	Fairy Tales	4 A
Andrews, Jane.	Seven Little Sisters, etc.	6 A
	Ten Boys, etc.	6 A 1
	Only a year and what it brought	6 A 2
Armstrong, F. C.	The Young Middy	7 A
Atkinson, Phillip.	Electricity for Everybody	N 1
Ayling.	Register of N. H. soldiers and sailors	H 26
Bailey, L. H.	The Nursery Book	U 1
Baldwin, J. D.	Ancient America	H 2
Baldwin, W. C.	Hunting in South Africa	T 36
Ball, Sir Robert S.	Starland	N 16
Ballantyne, F. M.	The Lifeboat	10 B
Ballou, M. M.	The New Eldorado	T 1
Bamford, Mary E.	Look-about Club	N 2
Banks, J. K.	The Houseboat on the Styx	11 B
	Pursuit of the Houseboat	11 B 1
Barnard, Henry.	School Architecture	U 3
Barr, Amelia E.	A Bow of Orange Ribbon	1 B
	Friend Olivia	1 B 1
Barrie, J. M.	Sentimental Tommy	2 B
	Little Minister	2 B 1
	Margaret Ogilvy	B 16
Baxter.	Cruise of a Land Yacht	T 37
Beard, D. C.	American Boy's Handybook	A 1
•Beard, L. and A. B.	American Girl's Handybook	A 2
Bellamy, Edward.	Looking Backward	12 B
Bingham, N. W.	Boy's Book of Athletics	A 3
Black, Wm.	Briscis	9 B
Blackmore, R. D.	Lorna Doone	3 B
Blair, E. N.	Lisbeth Wilson	4 B
Bolton, S. K.	Famous American Statesmen	B 2
	Girls Who Became Famous	B 3
	Poor Boys Who Became Famous	B 4
	Famous Voyagers and Explorers	B 5
Bonvalot, Gabriel.	Across Thibet	T 38
Boy's Workshop	. . . . .	U 2
Brine, M. D.	A Dozen and One	8 B

Brontë, Charlotte.	Jane Eyre	5 B
Brooks, E. S.	Story of American Indian	H 4
	True Story of Abraham Lincoln	B 6
	True Story of Geo. Washington	B 7
	True Story of Christopher Columbus	B 17
Brooks, Noah.	How the Republic is Governed	S 1
Brown, Alice.	Meadowgrass	13 B
Bucknill, J. C.	Habitual Drunkenness	U 29
Bunyan, John.	Pilgrim's Progress	R 2
Burnett, F. H.	Little Lord Fauntleroy	6 B
	Two Little Pilgrim's Progress	6 B 1
	A Fair Barbarian	6 B 2
	The One I Knew the Best of All	In P. S.
Burrough, John.	Birds and Bees, and Sharp Eyes	N 3
Butterworth, H.	Cruising in Indian Seas	T 2
	Zigzag Journeys in Classic Lands	T 3
Bynner, E. L.	Agnes Surriage	7 B
Cabell, Isa C.	Seen from the Saddle	T 24
Caine, Hall.	The Christian	13 C
Carlton, Will.	Farm Ballads	D 1
Carter, Hosea B.	New Hampshire Manual	Ref. 4
Chambus, Geo. F.	Story of the Stars	N 4
Champney, E. W.	Six Boys	2 C
	Three Vassar Girls in France	T 5
Cheney, Ednah D.	Life, letters and journals of Louisa M. Alcott	B 1
Child, William.	History Fifth N. H. Regiment	H 22
Church, A. J.	Stories from Virgil	L 9
Clark, H. H.	Boy Life in U. S. Navy	14 C
Clarke, Rebecca S. (Sophie May)	Drone's Honey	3 C 12
	Little Prudy	3 C
	Sister Susy	3 C 1
	Captain Horace	3 C 2
	Cousin Grace	3 C 3
	Story Book	3 C 4
	Dotty Dimple	3 C 5

Clarke, Rebecca S. (Sophia May)—*Continued.*

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| Dotty Dimple at Her Grandmother's . . . | 3 C 6 |
| Out West | 3 C 7 |
| At School | 3 C 8 |
| At Home | 3 C 9 |
| At Play | 3 C 10 |
| Dotty's Flyaway | 3 C 11 |
| Clemens, S. L. (Mark Twain). Innocents Abroad | T 4 |
| Clemens, S. L. and C. D. Warner. The Gilded Age | 12 C |
| Clodd, Edward. Story of Primitive Man | N 5 |
| Coffin, C. C. Boys of '76 | H 5 |
| Drumbeat of the Nation | H 3 |
| Old Times in the Colonies | H 6 |
| Winning His Way | 4 C |
| Cogswell, L. W. History of Eleventh N. H. Regiment | H 21 |
| Collingsworth, H. W. The Business Hen | U 4 |
| Cooper, James F. Deerslayer | 6 C |
| Last of the Mohicans | 6 C 1 |
| Pathfinder | 6 C 2 |
| Pioneers | 6 C 3 |
| Prairie | 6 C 4 |
| Cox, Samuel S. Diversions of a Diplomat in Turkey | T 39 |
| Craik, Dinah Mulock. John Halifax, Gentleman | 7 C |
| Agatha's Husband | 7 C 1 |
| A Noble Life | 7 C 2 |
| Crane, Stephen. The Little Regiment | 8 C |
| Crawford, F. Marion. Mr. Isaacs | 9 C |
| Katherine Laududale, 2 vols. | 9 C 1 and 2 |
| The Ralstons, 2 vols. | 9 C 3 and 4 |
| Creasy, E. S. Fifteen Decisive Battles | H 7 |
| Cross, Marian Evans (George Eliot) | |
| Vol. I Adam Bede, Mill on the Floss, | |
| Romola | 10 C |
| Vol. II Middlemarch, Daniel Deronda | 10 C 1 |
| Vol. III Felix Holt, Silas Marner, Lifted | |
| Veil, Amos Barton, Bro. Jacob, Theo- | |
| phrastus Such, and Poems | 10 C 2 |

Crozier, Wm.	How the Farm Pays	U 5
Cullom, J. B.	Story of the Irish in Boston	H 8
Curtis, Geo. Wm.	Prue and I	11 C
Custer, Elizabeth B.	Boots and Saddles	T 6
	Following the Guidon	T 7
Dana, Richard H.	Two Years Before the Mast	1 D
Dana, Mrs. W. S.	According to Season	N 6
Davis, Richard Harding.	Princess Aline	2 D
	Three Gringos in Venezuela and Central America	T 8
Defoe, Daniel.	Robinson Crusoe	10 D
Deland, Ellen.	Malvern	3 D
Deland, Margaret.	Philip and His Wife	4 D
Diaz, Mrs. A. M.	Polly Cologne	8 D
Dickens, Charles.	David Copperfield	5 D
	Little Dorrit	5 D 1
	Our Mutual Friend	5 D 2
	Tale of Two Cities	5 D 3
Dixie, Lady Florence.	In the Land of Misfortune	T 40
Dodgson, Charles L. (Lewis Carroll)		
	Alice's Adventures in Wonderland	1 C
Douglas, Frederick.	Life and Times	B 8
Doyle, A. Conan.	Study in Scarlet	6 D 1
	Adventures of Sherlock Holmes	6 D
	Memoirs of Sherlock Holmes	6 D 2
	Refugees	6 D 3
Drysdale, Wm.	Young Reporter	9 D
	Fast Mail	9 D 1
Du Maurier, George.	Trilby	7 D
Du Chaillu, Paul.	Lost in the Jungle	T 21
	Wild Life Under the Equator	T 22
	Ivar, the Viking	11 D
Earle, A. B.	Incidents	R 1
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ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
BOARD OF EDUCATION
OF THE
TOWN OF PLAISTOW.

TEACHERS.

Miss Ida V. Thayer had charge of school No. 1 the entire school year. This teacher quietly but quickly gained the goodwill of her pupils, and by untiring and intense application to duty, coupled with a conscientious devotion to sound principle, made a success.

School No. 2 was taught the first two terms by Miss Josephine Eaton, who secured good results through patient, apt and skillful teaching. The third term was taught by Miss Jennie Childs, who well sustained the good reputation of the former teacher.

The teacher in school No. 3, for the last two terms, was Miss Jessie Spencer, who had had ten years' experience. This lady came with good recommendations as a disciplinarian and as a thorough and painstaking teacher. The school, when placed under her charge, was in a badly demoralized condition, but she commenced in a business-like manner, quickly securing good discipline, taking command at the very outset, and never losing her grip in the least. The acquiring of knowledge by the pupils the first term was slow, as might be expected, but they gained gradually, and during the second term made good progress. This teacher is very conscientious and as true as steel to her rightly chosen profession, and if she could continue for a few years,

would put the school upon a higher plane than it has been for a long time.

Miss Fanny Williams was teacher in school No. 4, where she had previously taught and given general satisfaction to the people in this section. Here are only a few pupils, but they made very good progress for children of their ages.

School No. 5 was under the guidance of Miss Carrie Hill, and well was it guided. A bond of affection seemed to exist between this teacher and her young pupils, who helped greatly in their own advancement, each seeming to vie with the other to see how well they could do. Singing in this school and in No. 3 merits much praise.

School No. 6 was also somewhat demoralized, but it was placed under the supervision of Miss Bertha Foote, a young lady of broad culture and long experience in teaching. She was a first-class disciplinarian, an intensive, rapid and thorough teacher. She soon brought order out of chaos, and after eight short weeks had the best exhibition of any school in town. The School Board would gladly have retained her services, but she left to take charge of a High school, where she received larger wages than we could afford to pay her. The two last terms were under the instruction of Miss Annie W. Wentworth. This was her first attempt at teaching, and taking the place of so able a predecessor, it was a hard position to fill, but she showed from the start that she was a natural born teacher and a good disciplinarian, one who could govern and teach at the same time. One great help to this teacher is, she never seems to have the least misgiving as to the success of whatever she undertakes. The pupils have made commendable progress through the entire year.

We have spoken well of these teachers, but everything being relative in this world, we mean that they have fought extremely well, considering the conditions with which they have had to contend.

SCHOOL ROOMS.

The Hygiene of the rooms should be closely looked after by the teachers. They should always be kept clean, have a large supply of pure air, and be kept at a healthy temperature, physicians say about 68°. The pupils should be atught to grow erect, graceful and strong.

The teachers should know enough of Physiology to quickly detect the tendencies of any pupil to physical defects and have skill enough to apply the proper remedial exercises. In the upper room of the Centre schoolhouse some complaint has been made about the back part being cold,—this surely ought to be remedied; the lower room is said to be all right in this respect.

MUSIC AND ATHLETICS.

The time has come when it is necessary to have instrumental and vocal music in the schools. Will the District help us? Gymnastics have become absolutely necessary; all help teach the pupils mentally and physically and relieve the dryness and inaction of the text books. To obtain, in this fierce age of competition, and be able to take our discounts easily, we must be on top.

GENERAL REMARKS.

About one-eighth of the children in the United States are sent to private schools and the number is fast increasing. What kind of a country shall we have in the near future if the private schools supplant the public ones, as they surely will to a great extent, unless we make the public ones better than the private. Whatever is done should be for the good of the whole, not for the interests of the few. We must raise our public schools to such a standard that no one will care to send their children to private ones. In the better training of children is the broader understanding between the school and the home. The responsibility must be shared between them. There should be frank, frequent and full conferences between parents and teachers. The teacher often sees points in a child that the parent does not. The parent often knows traits which the teacher overlooks. Now both teacher and parent may be equally honest, but they are obliged to judge from different standpoints. The parent has the advantage, for to really know children, we must live with them. Parents often oppose the school, because they judge of it from conditions of which the teacher is ignorant; then such conferences are actually necessary for good success. When parents uphold their children in doing wrong, and criticize the teacher, the school not only suffers, but the founda-

tions of the children's characters are weakened. As a general thing, the training and discipline which is to shape the child's after life, is given before the age of ten years; then how necessary it is that the impressions made during those years should be by teachers of the broadest culture and the best principles. We should try to make the early years as strong, rich and full of resources as we can, but let us do it in an intelligent way.

It would have been a great advantage to our schools the past year, if they could have been better graded, but the School Board did not think it advisable, as the pupils were widely scattered and the amount of money we had to use so small. Under existing circumstances, all we could do was to bring about the best results which could be obtained through the united work of teachers and pupils in the limited time given to class recitations, but it is the firm belief of the Board that some improvement is necessary and possible. We must find some way to have fewer classes, so the teachers can have more time to each class, and we must have less absences and tardiness, for these are a heavy drag upon any school.

Parents and pupils, if you wish to get the advantage of a large amount of desirable work from your teachers, you must show them by word, deed and action that you appreciate their efforts in your behalf, always recollecting that it is accuracy, rapidity and the know-how that counts in this age. Teachers, you, too, must keenly realize that, to have your services in demand, you must keep abreast of the times by constant study and intelligent observation.

Generally speaking, we can say that in all of the schools, teachers and pupils have worked in harmony, and more success has been achieved, both individually and in each school as a whole, than in the previous year, and your School Officers sincerely hope that this spirit of unity and the desire to elevate our schools may continue to grow until the schools of Plaistow shall take high rank among the schools of the State. "In union there is strength." The teachers have done satisfactory work in their respective schools, but still more uniformity of work is desirable, and more originality of thought is to be sought for and secured from the pupils. This can be done by the simplest questioning. The pupils must be led to see and think for themselves. The intellectual faculties of the child should be thoroughly trained.

The power of fixing their attention should be developed, the memory should be strengthened, and in all things their enthusiasm should be kept aroused. If we neglect the education of the children, we invite the destruction of the nation, and yet, we may give all heed to the training of the young, and through superficial acquirements only hasten its doom. The character of the education is the great thing, for while we would instruct every youth clearly, exactly, to ask all of the whys and wherefores, to dig deep, to explore everything that comes under their observation to the very roots, we would strongly impress upon their minds the moral values of life. Our schools must provide the general training for citizenship, and to do that successfully, they must teach the coming men and women to measure things at their true value. The small amount of knowledge gained in our schools will fade away in a great degree as other interests absorb the life, but the thoughts which are impressed upon the young mind in these early years will shape to a great extent all that will follow. We should strive to make the pupils morally truthful, faithful, honest, reverent, charitable and just, and try to deeply impress upon their minds that the great elements of success in any pursuit, in all parts of the world are the same, namely: Steadiness of purpose, application, temperance and grit, united with true Christianity.

ROLL OF PERFECT ATTENDANCE.

SCHOOL NO. 1. SECOND TERM.

Mary Colombe, Annie Sultaire, Arthur Sultaire.

THIRD TERM.

George Moores, Emma Fountain.

SCHOOL NO. 3. FIRST TERM.

Horace Kimball, Blanche Peaslee.

THIRD TERM.

Horace Kimball, Blanche Peaslee.

SCHOOL NO. 5 (Primary). SECOND TERM.

George H. Tozier, Mahlon Tozier.

SCHOOL NO. 6. FALL TERM.

Hattie D. Warren, Sarah L. Wentworth, Mary P. Wentworth,
George W. Moores.

WINTER TERM.

Hattie D. Warren, Annie E. Sawyer, Carl H. Sawyer, Charlie
Wentworth.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Amount in treasury, Feb. 15, 1897	\$19 16	
“ received from Selectmen	1,400 43	
Total		\$1,419 59
Amount expended	\$1,411 43	
“ in treasury, Feb. 15, 1898	8 16	
		\$1,419 59

SCHOOL NO. 1.

Spring term, paid Ida V. Thayer, teaching 11 weeks @	
\$9.00	\$99 00
Fall term, paid Ida V. Thayer, teaching 9 weeks at \$9.00	81 00
Winter term, paid Ida V. Thayer, teaching 8 weeks @	
\$9.00	72 00
Total	\$252 00
Mrs. Kelleher, cleaning school house	2 00
E. E. Peaslee, fuel	3 75
Louis Dion, building fires, etc.	3 25
“ sawing wood	3 00
	\$264 00

SCHOOL NO. 2.

Spring term, paid Josephine Eaton for teaching 11 weeks	
@ \$7.00	\$77 00
Fall term, paid Josephine Eaton, teaching 9 weeks @	
\$7.00	63 00

Winter term, paid Jennie M. Childs, teaching 8 weeks @ \$7.00	\$56 00
Total	\$196 00
Mrs. Cifre, cleaning school house	98
Herbert Severance, building fires and care of school house	7 00
	<u>\$203 98</u>

SCHOOL NO. 3 (GRAMMAR).

Spring term, paid W. S. Frye for teaching 11 weeks @ \$10.00	\$110 00
Fall term, paid Jessie S. Spencer, teaching 9 weeks @ \$10.00	90 00
Fall term, paid Jessie S. Spencer, teaching 8 weeks @ \$10.00	80 00
Total	<u>\$280 00</u>
F. W. McLaughlin, cleaning Centre school house . . .	1 70
Geo. Bodwell, building fires and care of school houses Nos. 3 and 5	7 00
Walter Tozier, building fires and care of No. 3 . . .	5 00
Geo. McLaughlin, sawing wood	3 00
	<u>\$296 70</u>

SCHOOL NO. 4.

Spring term, paid Fannie E. Williams, teaching 11 weeks @ \$7	\$77 00
Fall term, paid Fannie E. Williams, teaching 8 weeks @ \$7	56 00
Winter term, paid Fannie E. Williams, teaching 9 weeks @ \$7	63 00
Total	<u>\$196 00</u>
Fannie E. Williams, building fires	2 00
	<u>\$198 00</u>

SCHOOL NO. 5 (PRIMARY).

Spring term, paid Carrie L. Hills, teaching 11 weeks	
@ \$7.50	\$82 50
Fall term, paid Carrie L. Hills, teaching 9 weeks @ \$7	63 00
Winter term, paid Carrie L. Hills, teaching 8 weeks	
@ \$7	56 00
Total	<u>\$201 50</u>
Joseph McLaughlin, building fires and care of school room	5 00
Walter Tozier, building fires and care of school room	6 00
J. F. Ramsey, tuning organ	1 00
	<u>\$213 50</u>

SCHOOL NO. 6 (NEW SCHOOL).

Spring term, paid Alice M. Little, teaching 2 weeks	
@ \$7	\$14 00
Paid Bertha M. Foote, teaching 9 weeks @ \$8	72 00
Fall term, paid Annie Wentworth, teaching 9 weeks @ \$7	63 00
Winter term, paid Annie Wentworth, teaching 8 weeks	
@ \$7	56 00
Total	<u>\$205 00</u>
Mrs. Mapherson, cleaning school room.	3 00
M. K. Wentworth, sawing wood and building fires.	2 00
S. W. Wentworth, repairs	1 25
	<u>\$211 25</u>

RECAPITULATION.

School No. 1	\$264 00
School No. 2	203 98
School No. 3	296 70
School No. 4	198 00
School No. 5	213 50
School No. 6	211 25

Paid for supplies.	\$4 61
American Express on supplies	4 87
C. E. Crockett, repairs	6 90
Expense to Exeter to consult Lawyers on School matters	2 62
Wall maps	5 00

\$1,411 43

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN P. SANBORN,
 GEORGE W. DOBBINS,
 (Moved away) FRANK W. McLAUGHLIN,

SCHOOL BOARD.

 PLAISTOW, N. H., February 18, 1898.

We have this day examined the accounts of the School Board for the year ending February 15, 1898, and find them correctly balanced, and the proper vouchers for all expenditures.

WALLACE KEEZER,
 MOSES B. DOW,

AUDITORS.

STATISTICAL TABLE OF SCHOOLS.

NUMBER OF SCHOOLS.	1	2	3	4	5	6	TOTAL.
Whole number of scholars in town April 1, '97	50	22	38	16	34	28	188
Spring term :							
Whole number registered	50	22	38	16	34	28	188
Average daily attendance	30	14	27	11	25	19	126
Fall term :							
Whole number registered	39	20	34	16	29	28	196
Average daily attendance	31	15	26	10	23	18	123
Winter term :							
Whole number registered	30	17	39	12	25	26	144
Average daily attendance	24	12	24	8	20	17	125
Average daily attendance for the year	28	14	26	10	23	18	119

